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LETTER
FROM
THE SECRETARY OF WAR,

TRANSMITTING,

WITH A LETTER FROM THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER, U. S. ARMY,
A REPORT OF PUBLIC DOCUMENTS DISTRIBUTED DURING THE
FISCAL YEAR.

FEBRUARY 5, 1903.—Referred to the Committee on Printing and ordered to be printed.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington, February 4, 1903.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a letter of the 23d ultimo from the Chief Signal Officer, U. S. Army, transmitting, in accordance with the requirements of the act of Congress approved January 12, 1895, a report of public documents pertaining to the War Department distributed during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1902.

Very respectfully,

ELIHU ROOT, *Secretary of War.*

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WAR DEPARTMENT LIBRARY,
Washington, January 23, 1903.

SIR: In accordance with the requirements of the act of Congress approved January 12, 1895, I have the honor to make the following report of public documents pertaining to the War Department distributed during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1902. It is thought that the spirit of the law requiring report in detail is met by showing the number of volumes distributed by classes. The inclosed report therefore shows—

First, the number of documents issued for official purposes to the War Department and its bureaus, to officers of the Army, and to the civil government in the Philippines.

Second, those issued under the provisions of the joint resolution for the instruction of the National Guard.

Third, to officers of the United States Government, such as the Cabinet, the Navy Department, members of Congress, etc.

Fourth, exchanges as authorized by the law of January 12, 1895, including therein those furnished to foreign embassies and legations.

Fifth, those issued at the request of members of Congress, where the interests of the public service seemed to justify such issues.

Sixth, miscellaneous issues, which have been of documents accumulated very largely during the Spanish-American war, in excess of the actual needs of the service.

If required, the name of every official, individual, or institution to whom these volumes were sent can be furnished, provided that an adequate clerical force is assigned for this duty. There is but one clerk available for carrying out the instructions regarding issues and keeping record thereof, and but one laborer for shipping the volumes. In view of the fact that there have been 28,705 volumes issued during the year it is evident that no time is available for a single clerk to make a detailed report.

It is to be pointed out that large numbers of War Department documents have been distributed by the bureaus which have made requisitions for them, and concerning these distributions the Chief Signal Officer of the Army has no knowledge. It is believed that the stringent provisions of Circular No. 60, Adjutant-General's Office, issued by the Secretary of War on December 17, 1902, will prevent a recurrence of such action.

Very respectfully,

A. W. GREELY,
Brigadier-General, Chief Signal Officer, U. S. Army,
in Charge Distribution War Department Documents.

The SECRETARY OF WAR.

War Department publications received and issued by the War Department library.

Re- ceived.		Volumes issued.					
		A.	B.	C.	D.	E.	F.
300	Archipelago Filipino, 2 volumes and atlas, each.....	105					
2,050	Army Regulations.....	7,682	301	14			121
1,018	Artillery, Light, Drill Regulations.....	737	4	5			20
	Artillery, Siege, Drill Regulations.....	58		2			
3,000	Atlas of the Philippines.....	1,329		358			24
	Calisthenic Exercises.....	124	1	2			
1,000	Cavalry Drill Regulations.....	907	80	7	20		8
500	Copper River Exploring Expedition (Abercrombie).....	2		25	3		60
2,000	Digest of Opinions of Judge-Advocate-General.....	1,580	52	171			3
1,000	Explorations in Alaska, 1869-1900.....	7		5	4		91
1,000	Hospital Corps Drill Regulations.....	681	92	4			3
250	House Document No. 605.....	0	0	0	0	0	0
2,000	Infantry Drill Regulations.....	717	429	15			25
	Manual of Arms.....	255	312	6			24
	Manual of Army Cooks.....	386	35	4			16
	Manual of Court-Martial.....	1,683	135	1			4
	Manual of Guard Duty.....	312	121	4			14
	Manual, Paymaster's.....	278	12				
	Manual of Photography.....	43	12	9			27
	Manual, Quartermaster's.....	295	36				2
	Manual, Subsistence.....	406	21	2			4
500	Military Information Division, No. 31.....	144		5	6		66
500	Military Information Division, No. 32.....	2		2			15
500	Military Information Division, No. 33.....	7		4	32		62
500	Military Information Division, No. 34.....			3			9
2,000	Military Laws.....	1,381	72	14			3
	Miscellaneous documents.....	325				549	1,074
500	Naval Intelligence, No. 20.....	349		51		6	7
2,500	Report of Lieutenant-General, 1901.....	34					189
	Report of Philippine Commission and Atlas.....	60		41		48	343

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Re- ceived.		Volumes issued.					
		A.	B.	C.	D.	E.	F.
5,000	Report of Secretary of War, 1901, vol. 1						
1,800	Report of Secretary of War (pamphlet)					150	795
9,000	Report of Secretary of War, 1900, parts 11, 12, and 13 (9 vols.)	0	0	0	0	0	0
7,800	Report of Secretary of War, 1901 (complete)						881
250	Senate Document No. 382	50					
500	Senate Document No. 259	75					
100	Senate Document No. 273	10					
50	Senate Document No. 283	10					
1,500	Senate Document No. 331	150					
500	Senate Document No. 323	75					
	Small Arms Firing Regulations	161	113	22			
	Spanish-American War Notes	145	33			8	190
	Subject Catalogues of the War Department						101
500	Test of Metals	330					166
48,118	Total	20,895	1,861	776	651	761	4,347

